Holton Parish Council meeting was held on Monday 14th March 2022 starting at 7.30 pm in Holton Village Hall Committee Room l

Present:
Chairman Robert Barter
Councillor Roger Farrow
Councillor Allan East
Parish Clerk Sonja Barter

Also present:

1. Apologies: Brian Pridmore, Andy Murray

1a. Declarations of interest:

2. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the council held on Monday 14th February 2022 which had been circulated to all councillors before the meeting. Allan East requested some additional information to be added to the minutes.

Proposed by Allan East
Seconded by Roger Farrow **All agreed**

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3. District and County Councillor Reports
No District/County Councillor present

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:
Orchard Hedging/Fencing. Quote for post and wire stock fencing received from Splinters. Further quotes have been requested from Richard Taylor for post and rail, chestnut cleft posts and rails and galvanised estate fencing. A quote for post and wire stock fencing to be requested as being a less expensive option.

Wheatley Park School Footpath – Response received from HeadTeacher regarding an undertaking about access for school children.

The definitive map modification order procedure had been circulated prior to the meeting. As not all councillors were present it was agreed to leave any discussion to the next meeting.

5. Traffic, Road and Highway Matters
Water leak under the flyover bridge on Waterperry Road. Reported to Highways and Thames Water.

Holton Litter Blitz held on Saturday 12th March – 7 volunteers turned out including one from Wheatley Litter Crew. Together the village was cleared along with stretches of the Waterperry Road and Holton Turn area.

6. Financial Matters

a. Accounts submitted for payment

Clerk's Salary March	432.00
Holton Village Hall Coffee morning start up	25.00
Clerk use of home office/equipment 2021/22	152.00
Parish Office expenses 2021/22	206.87
Holton Village Hall meeting hire Jan/Feb/March	33.00
Public Works Loan	958.76
HWW News annual grant	235.00

b. Bank balances after paying above amounts and monies received

Deposit £17,970.21

Current £1,186.68

c. Clerks pay scale rise as of April 2021

The National Association of Council Clerks have agreed a new pay settlement, the clerk's hourly rate increased from £14.32 to £15.16 from April 2021. It was agreed To increase the hourly rate in line with this recommendation.

It was proposed by Allan East and seconded by Roger Farrow that the Clerk's Report be accepted and the accounts paid. All Agreed

7. Churchyard

David Bendor Samuel is to contact the Diocesan Solicitors Winckworth Sherwood and to instruct them to go ahead with the land transfer process.

8. Playground Proposal

Awaiting further quotes and designs.

9. Planning applications:

None

10. Planning Decisions (South Oxfordshire District Council):

P21/S5311/LB. Pond Farm Barn, Holton. OX33 1PY

Installation of an EO mini EV charger on the external wall. Dimension: 175mm x 125 mm x 95mm. **Granted**

11. Reports

Enforcement SE20/188. Holton Field Groundworks Land adjacent Wheatley Park School, Holton. OX33 1PZ. The Enforcement Officer is awaiting a retrospective planning application.

Holton Village Hall Meeting. Coffee mornings a great success and to be continued fortnightly. Jubilee plans for Sunday 5th June.

Holton Orchard - A meeting of the Orchard Committee to be called to discuss 2022 maintenance and the play equipment proposals.

Brookes Liaison Group – Robert Barter and Brian Pridmore – No news on any progress with the site plans and access.

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Brookes Residents' Meeting – Roger Farrow – Nothing to report.

Neighbourhood Plan (Wheatley) – Roger Farrow – Nothing to report.

Wheatley and Holton Good Neighbour Scheme – Deb Bale – Nothing to report.

12. Publications/Letters and forthcoming events

13. Items for discussion and/or referral to a future meeting

It was agreed that a total grant of £1500 will be put towards the Jubilee celebrations. £1000 already precepted and £500 from the Community Fund.

14. Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held **o**n Monday 11th April 2022 starting at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.